

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION II 2890 WOODRIDGE AVENUE EDISON, NEW JERSEY 08837

March 6, 2009

Mr. Cesare Perfetto
Perfetto Realty Company, Inc.
250 6th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11215

Re: Jewett White Lead Co. Site

Dear Mr. Perfetto:

Attached is a copy of the analytical data from the sampling event EPA conducted at your property, located at 2000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, New York, during the week of December 15, 2008. The analytical data includes the results for the soil and air samples that were collected. Also attached are a Sampling Trip Report, an Exploratory Test Pit Report, and another copy of the Quality Assurance Project Plan that was previously forwarded to you.

Elevated levels of lead have been identified throughout your property and in samples of dirt that has washed off your property and onto adjacent public areas along Richmond Terrace due to storm water runoff during heavy rain events. At this time, EPA is awaiting additional information from the Agency of Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the New York State Department of Health in order to determine what actions are needed to address the soil contamination on your property.

Another issue of concern is the potential for migration of contaminants from your property and into the surrounding community as a result of the movement of trucks and equipment on and from your property. An interim removal action is needed to address contaminants that have migrated from your property and prevent contaminants from migrating from your property in the future. EPA would like to receive a commitment from you by Wednesday, March 11, 2009 that you are willing to undertake this interim removal action to address the lead-contaminated dirt that has been identified along Richmond Terrace adjacent to your property and to institute controls to mitigate the potential for contaminant migration from your property through surface water runoff and vehicle tracking. EPA expects this interim removal action to be initiated no later than two weeks from the date of this letter.

Information on the sampling results and EPA's concern about the potential migration of contaminants from your property was conveyed to Richard Walka of Dvirka and Bartilucci, the consulting engineering firm that was present at the site at the time of the sampling event, during a telephone conversation yesterday on Thursday, March 5. During the conversation with Mr. Walka, I discussed the necessary components of the interim removal action that will need to be undertaken by appropriately trained and qualified personnel that meet OSHA requirements.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 732.906.6930. Any legal questions or questions from an attorney should be addressed to EPA Assistant Regional Counsel, Henry Guzman at 212.637.3166.

Sincerely,

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Nick Magriples, On-Scene Coordinator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Removal Action Branch

cc: H. Guzman, EPA-ORC